

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

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EllenAnn G. Sands
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3500 North Causeway Boulevard
Suite 1442
Metairie, LA 70002

Re: *Application for Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger between Coyote Network Systems, Inc. (Coyote) and Group Long Distance, Inc. (GLD)*

Dear Ms. Sands:

This is in response to the application referenced above which requests Authority approval for the acquisition of GLD by Coyote. According to Tennessee Attorney General Opinion 99-119, telecommunication providers with multi-state operations or certificates of authority, such as GLD, may transfer their stock without Authority approval. Since no request was made for transfer of Tennessee certification, no further Authority action is required.

Thank you for informing the Authority of this matter. Please address any further questions to Rosie Gregory at (615) 741-2904 ext. 156.

Sincerely,

K. David Waddell
Executive Secretary

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